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MEMORANDUM FOR

Director of Central Intelligence

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8 OCT 1957

SUBJECT:

International Diplomatic Communications
(Proposed Legislation to Permit Reciprocal
Radio Agreements)

1. This memorandum suggests action on the part of the DCI. Such requested action is contained in paragraph 4.

2. The Special Assistant to the President, Robert Cutler, in a memorandum dated 29 May 1957, TAB A, requested that a joint report be furnished by the Director of Central Intelligence and the Chairman of the Interdepartmental Intelligence Conference as to the balance of advantages and disadvantages from the intelligence viewpoint, which would result if legislation on this subject were approved. By memorandum to the Special Assistant to the President dated 17 June 1957, TAB B, you recommended that action on this matter be deferred pending more exhaustive investigation as a basis for a recommendation prior to the reconvening of the Congress in 1958.

3. In a memorandum dated 1 October 1957, addressed to you and the Chairman of the IIC, TAB C, the Special Assistant to the President requested advice as to the approximate date on which a report might be expected for submission to the President. No further discussion of this subject has been had with the representatives of the Chairman, IIC, as it appeared from our previous discussions that an impasse had been reached and agreement on this subject could not be achieved. Subsequent to your memorandum, TAB B, a communications was received from the Assistant to the Director of the National Security Agency which stated: "It is evident that in view of the above remarks that the proposed legislation could seriously impede the National COMINT effort." In view of the above, I believe and so recommend that this matter be held in abeyance and no effort be made to push this legislation in the next Congress.

4. Attached is a draft of a proposed reply to the Special Assistant to the President for your signature.

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Director of Communications

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